

Patent Claims

1. A method for configuring a communication node,
 - where the communication node is configured using operational orders from a communication application (KA) installed on a computer, and
 - where configuration is effected by logically combining at least one communication address with at least one of a plurality of selectable instructions (A1, A2, A3),

characterized in that

- the selectable instructions (A1, A2, A3) are visually displayed on a user interface (B0),
- the at least one communication address is shown by an element (E1, E2, E3, En) which can be moved on the graphical user interface,
- the element (E1, E2, E3) is moved by a selection means to a selected instance of the visually displayed instructions (A1, A2, A3) and is enabled there,
- the at least one communication address shown by the element (E1, E2, E3, En) is logically combined with the selected instruction (A1, A2, A3), and
- the communication application (KA) configures the communication node by virtue of the communication application (KA) using the at least one communication address and the instruction (A1, A2, A3) logically combined therewith to create an operational order, transmitting it to the communication node and using it to configure the latter.

2. The method as claimed in patent claim 1,
characterized in that
the instruction (A1, A2, A3) determines the treatment of at least one communication link and/or message arriving in the future.

3. The method as claimed in patent claim 2, characterized in that the selectable instruction (A1, A2, A3) used is call forwarding, e-mail forwarding, creation of an automated response and/or a block on the at least one communication link and/or message arriving in the future.

4. The method as claimed in one of the preceding patent claims, characterized in that the element (E1, E2, E3, En) used is a displayed communication address, a displayed entry in an address directory (AV) or a document containing at least one communication address.

5. The method as claimed in one of the preceding patent claims, characterized in that the selection means used is a mouse pointer of a computer mouse.

6. The method as claimed in one of the preceding patent claims, characterized in that the selectable instructions (A1, A2, A3) are formed by logos, buttons or symbols.

7. The method as claimed in one of the preceding patent claims, characterized in that the element (E1, E2, E3, En) is moved by the selection means to the selected visually displayed instruction (A1, A2, A3) again and is enabled there, with the logic combination between the communication address shown by the element (E1, E2, E3, En) and the selected instruction (A1, A2, A3) being cancelled and

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the communication application (KA) configuring the
communication node again by virtue of the communication
application (KA) using the cancelled

logic combination to create a further operational instruction and transmitting to the communication node.

8. A computer for configuring a communication node, where the computer is equipped with an installed communication application and is set up to transmit operational orders to the communication node,

the installed communication application (KA) being designed to logically combine at least one communication address with instructions (A1, A2, A3) and being set up to convert the logic combination into one of the operational orders, characterized in that

the computer is equipped with a graphical user interface (BO) for visually displaying the selectable instructions (A1, A2, A3),

the user interface (BO) is set up to show at least one communication address using an element (E1, E2, E3, En) which can be moved on the graphical user interface (BO),

the element (E1, E2, E3, En) can be moved by a selection means to a selected instance of the visually displayed instructions (A1, A2, A3) and can be enabled there,

the installed communication application (KA) is set up to logically combine the at least one communication address shown by the element (E1, E2, E3, En) with the selected instruction (A1, A2, A3), and

the communication application (KA) is designed to create the operational order using the logic combination and to transmit the operational order to the communication node.